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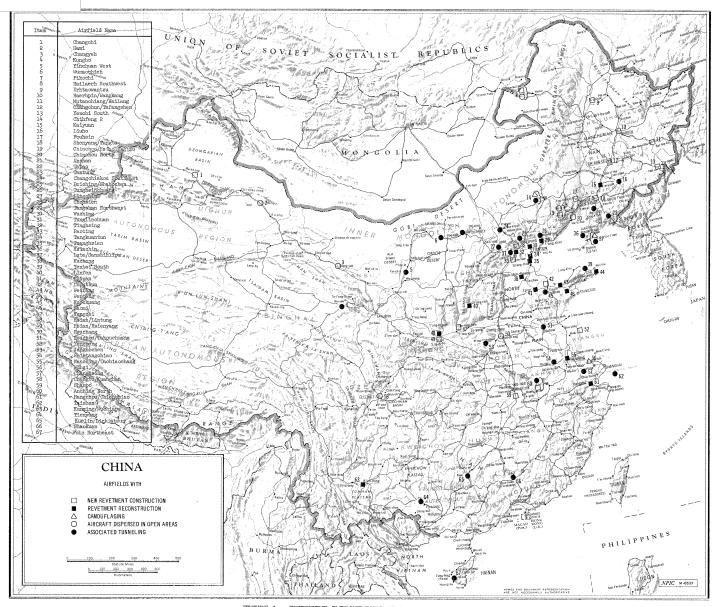


FIGURE 1. DEFENSIVE IMPROVEMENTS AT CHINESE AIRFIELDS

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ABSTRACT

This report details recent developments at airfields in Communist China and contains one location map, six photos, and a table which shows the number and status of associated tunnels at the fields.

INTRODUCTION

In the fall of 1969 the Chinese began to build and reconstruct aircraft revetments at a number of airfields. Aircraft are now being observed in increasing numbers in revetted parking areas as well as dispersed in open areas adjacent to the fields. Camouflage is being employed at several of the fields and extensive tunneling is observed in the hills near 27 of the airfields newly constructed or improved since 1964 (Figure 1).

BASIC DESCRIPTION

New aircraft revetment construction began at 19 airfields in Communist China. Most of these new revetments are built so that the entrances do not face the runway. In some cases, new aircraft dispersal parking areas have been constructed away from the airfields (Figure 2). This construction has not been restricted to major concrete airfields. Numerous revetments have been built within the perimeters of several sod landing areas. This construction program seems to have begun about the same time as the revetment reconstruction.

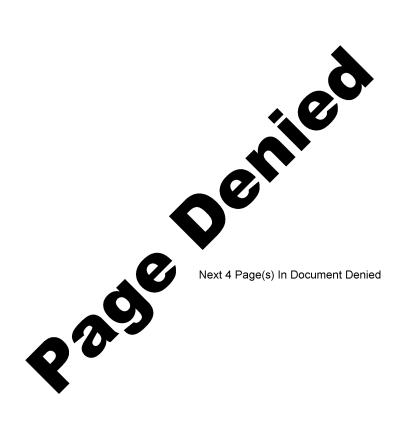
The aircraft revetments at 16 airfields have been rebuilt so that they face away from the runway (Figure 3). This would minimize the blast effects of a runway bombing. New concrete or prepared surface access taxiways link many of these revetments to the main taxiway.

Dispersed aircraft have been increasingly observed at airfields since last fall. Aircraft are now observed parked farther apart along the main taxiways and dispersal parking areas are more widely used. At six airfields, aircraft are scattered throughout adjacent open areas (Figure 4).

Airfield-associated tunneling has been observed in the hills near 27 fields (Figure 6 and Table 1). The tunnels appear large enough to hold aircraft and support facilities and are connected to the airfields by taxiways and runways, which are long enough and wide enough at 13 of the fields to be used as alternate runways (Figure 7). The tunneling is not a recent development but has been increasingly observed since 1964. Hills located near other airfields may be

sites of future tunneling operations.

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TABLE 1. ATRFIELDS WITH ASSOCIATED TUNNELS

Item No. (Fig 1)	Name	Coor	dinates		No of Tunnels	Remarks
4	Kungho	36-20-11N	100-27-381	E T/R	2	T/R & tunnels ucon
5	Yinchuan West	38-28 - 13N	106-01-501	T/R	2	T/R completed tunnels ucon
6	Wumaochieh	40-39-04N	109-03-401	T/R	2	T/R & tunnels ucon
7	Pikochi	40-43-43N	111-14-061	T	2	T & tunnels ucon
14	Chihfeng 2	42-09-00N	118-50-081	E T/R	2	T & tunnels complete
16	Liuho	42-15-07N	125-42-201	E T/R	4	T/R & tunnels complete
21	Anshan	41-06-02N	122-51-191	E T/R	2	T/R & tunnels ucon
22	Tapao	40-32-13N	124-13-481	T	3	T & tunnels ucon
24	Changchiakou Southeast	40-44-16N	114-55-361	T	4	T & tunnels complete
25	Peiching/Shahochen	40-08-50N	116-19-301	T/R	2	T/R & tunnels ucon
26	Tunghsinchuang	40-05-54N	117-53-17	E T/R	2	T/R & tunnels complete
27	Lingchiu	39-24-18N	114-09-14	T .	1	T & tunnel complete
31	Tunglinchuan	39-09-08N	115-16-241	T .	2	T & tunnels ucon
36	Hsinchin	39-26-52N	122-01-091	т Т	2	T & tunnels ucon
37	Luta/Sanshihlipu	39-17-13N	121-45-481	T	3	T & tunnels complete
39	Yentai South	37-24-00N	121-22-081	T & Auxiliar R	y 2	T & Auxiliary R & tunnels ucon
45	Kuochuang	35-59-51N	117-37-25	T	2	T & tunnels complete
51 .	Hsuchou/Takouchuang	34-13-48N	117-14-421	T T	4	T & tunnels ucon
53	Janghochen	33-40-58N	112-54-391	E -	2	tunnels ucon
54	Shihtangchiao	31-53-52N	117-38-05	E -	2	tunnels ucon
57	Changhsing	30-58-40N	119-43-301	T E	2	T & tunnels ucon
60	Anching North	30-34-57N	117-03-11	E T/R	2	T/R complete tunnels ucon
62	Taishan	30-17-21N	1.22-08-451	E T/R	1	T/R & tunnel ucon
64	Tienyang	23-43-06N	106-57-391	E T/R	4	T/R & tunnels ucon
65	Kuelin/Lichiatsun	25-11-45N	110-19-09	T E	1	T & tunnel complete
66	Shaokuan	24-58-30N	113-25-00	T	2	T & tunnels ucon
67	Folo Northeast	18-41-291	109-09-291	E T/ R	3	T/R & tunnels ucon
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